

## The International Sunday School Lesson.

January 9, 1898. Matthew iv, 1-11.

## JESUS TEMPTED.

The temptation of Jesus has been affirmed most difficult of all events to interpret. The difficulty is reduced to a minimum if one keeps in mind that Jesus had a true human soul. This was the citadel the devil sought to storm. In his human nature, Jesus must needs make the transit from the innocence which may be called instinctive to that which is the outcome of choice. This transit was not made entirely in this order of the temptation, though this may have been its crucial epoch. . . . The traditional scene of this drama is in the desert. It is still "a wilderness" as the Jews called it. Thither Jesus had gone, impelled by the consciousness of his Messianic mission, which may have fully dawned upon him in his baptism. He sought to adjust himself to his calling—to test his resources, and determine a plan of procedure. . . . It is perhaps indifferent whether one believes this a literal approach of a personal devil, or a figurative description of a moral struggle entirely subjective. The first temptation was to use the miracle-working power (of which he had just come to conscious possession) for personal ends, and in trustfulness of his Father's care. The second temptation was to create an emergency which would test his Father's care. The third solicitation was to the double service of God and mammon. . . . It has been well said: "After all, what the devil does in the desert is to tempt Jesus to express his whole programme of the Messiah, the whole programme of the Jews, who only disguised under holy words a carnal and earthly ambition." . . . Where the first Adam so ignominiously failed in the transit from natural innocence to the human state, Jesus, the second Adam, triumphed gloriously. He did this, too, as man, not as God. It was the victory of our humanity, as Jesus perfectly identified himself with us; just such a victory as each of us may win. The weapons he used, also, are the very ones we are to handle in Faith, prayer, Scripture, as Jesus, in his human nature, was made perfect by his victorious resistance of temptation, so shall we be. There is both exemplary and inspirational force in the temptation of Jesus. He was tempted as we are. He resisted and conquered as man. We may, we must tread the same way.

**MOSAIC FROM COMMENTARIES.**  
Was led up: Purely voluntary on his part. J. F. B. By an inward impulse. Bengel. . . . To be tempted: This temptation is a sample of our Lord's whole state of humiliation and an epitome of all the temptations, not only moral, but spiritual, to which he was subjected. His human soul was power to fall. Olausen. . . . To be tempted during the forty days, so that the threefold temptation is but the acme. Graul. . . . Commandments—bread: Temptation by bodily appetite. Beneath this temptation all elations, drunkards and debauches have fallen. Whedon. . . . Not bread—but word—God: If Israel spent forty years, divinely provided for, as man I will wait divine supply. J. F. B. . . . Cast thyself down: The second temptation rises to the gratification of admiration. All those carried away by love of pomp, gratification of mental taste, pleasures of imagination, gayeties of fashion, enthusiasm for fame, induced to pervert for these obscure powers given for rightful use, fall by this temptation. Whedon. . . . Not tempt the Lord: To create danger either to the promised scepter, or to the demand of display of it. J. F. B. . . . All these I give thee: The third temptation appealed to the ambition. By this great man have fallen in myriads. They have believed the devil to be the true dispenser of this world's endowments. Whedon.

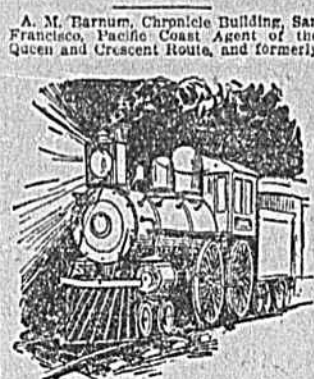
**THE TEACHER'S QUIVER.**  
A patent bullet-proof cloth is claimed to have been invented: can be made into garments of light weight, and absolutely protect the wearer. Did the disciples of Jesus form such an impenetrable armor? Was it possible for suggestions of evil to enter his soul? Then, how was he tempted as we are? Such a theory reduces Jesus' encounter to a sham fight. . . . The human soul of Jesus was not over-slaughted by the devil. The temptation was addressed to the true humanity. . . . Second Adam, he overcame the devil the first Adam failed. As every man, he learned by what he suffered, and is able to succor the tempted, being a true and inspiring Exemplar. . . . The devil showed Jesus a short cut to his kingdom. He told him the way for men to-day. He whispered to the backslider: "Why plod? Why let funds lie idle? Manipulate and double them; You can replace them. If your conscience troubles you, endow a college." . . . Alas! increasing numbers fail to say, "Get thee hence! The devil has a subtle power to spread a mirage of all the pleasures of earth, and of his glory and 'barbaric gems of gold' before the eyes of the ambitious, and proffer them all if only one will install him as master. Pity is many fall to thrust the tempter through with the sword of the Spirit, and say: 'It stands written: I worship the Lord, and him only shall I serve.' . . . The advantage of familiarity with the Bible is here exemplified. The sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, is ever the Christian's truest weapon.

**REER JUST DESERTS.**  
Or What a Boarding House Keeper Drew for Desert.  
The fires blazed merrily. Satan rolled comfortably in his chair, and addressing one of his favorite imps, asked: "And who is next?"  
"Mrs. Hashem, your majesty," replied the imp, reading from a card. "Late landlady of Hashem's Select Boarding House, New York."  
"Show her in!"  
And forthwith the two great portals of brimstone opened and Mrs. Hashem entered, remarking in a querulous voice: "What a lot of coal and gas you burn!"  
"In life you were responsible for

**Some People's Folly.**  
Why some persons will suffer with the excruciating pangs of rheumatism, when they can be so easily cured by that greatest of pain-cures, Salvation Oil, is past human comprehension. That Salvation Oil does cure rheumatism is evidenced by Mr. G. F. Schraeder, Pierce, Neb., who says: "I have used Salvation Oil and think there is no liniment on earth like it. I had the rheumatism for several months and could get no relief until I used Salvation Oil, two bottles of which effected a cure, and I feel as well as ever. No home should be without it." Salvation Oil is sold everywhere for 25 cents. When dealers offer a substitute beware, you'll be victimized. Insist on having the best, Salvation Oil.

## ON THE RAIL.

## Railway Men and Travelers Rely on Munyon.



A. M. Barnum, Chronicle Building, San Francisco, Pacific Coast Agent of the Queen and Crescent Route, and formerly a prominent business man of Buffalo, N. Y., says: "Munyon's Rheumatism Cure cured me and also several of my friends who were in some of that great remedy. Before your agency was established on the coast I was compelled to send East for supplies of your remedies, and have always kept them on hand for the benefit of myself and friends. I carry a packet case in my valise when traveling, in case of my chance acquaintances should need assistance. I have frequently given away some of the remedies to people in distress, and have great faith in Munyon's remedies."

Rheumatism is known as the stubbornest of diseases. It will not succumb to any kind of medicine except the right kind. Munyon has the right kind, and cures ninety-six per cent. of all cases of rheumatism. Munyon's Rheumatism Cure is guaranteed to be absolutely harmless and a strong tonic in building up the weak and debilitated. Prof. Munyon pulls up a separate cure for each disease. At all druggists, mail order to Munyon, 1508 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa. answered with free medical advice for any disease.

Hashem's Select Boarding House, I understand.  
"Yes, first class board and room, 'steed dollars a week, and we always make a specialty of our table board; references—"

"Enough! I know the rest!" cried Satan, his brows darkening. "And do you still hope for mercy?"  
"Well," murmured Mrs. Hashem, displaying the first timidity she had ever shown on either side of the grave. "I shall expect to receive my just deserts."  
"Aye!" remarked Satan, blandly smiling. "Those you shall have, madam; those you shall have. We will make it a point to see that you receive only your just deserts. Torments!"  
And forward stepped the Impish Imp, notebook in hand.  
"Mrs. Hashem that was," dictated Satan, "is to receive only her just deserts."

"Yes, Monseigneur!" replied the Imp, standing alert. "And they are?"  
"For breakfast each morning, fresh prunes with prune frappe."

"Yes, Monseigneur."

"For lunch, stewed prunes, with prune juice."

"Yes, Monseigneur."

"And for dinner, prune pie."

"Yes, Monseigneur."

"And make it an eternal diet."

The transcribed Mrs. Hashem had faintly—"New York Journal."

**LACK OF VITALITY AND COLOR-MATTER** in the bulks causes the hair to fall out and turn gray. We recommend Hall's Hair-Restorer to prevent baldness and grayness.

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

It's a poor mule that won't work both ways.  
High words are often used to express low language.

The only thing that beats a good wife is a bad husband.  
Poverty is not a crime, but it's usually very inconvenient.

The rooms in a house do not interest the burglar as much as the haul.  
Dr. Diet and Dr. Merryman are the world's two greatest physicians.

The more reason a man has for indignation the less comfort he gets out of it.  
The worst kind of a bicycle race is made by the boy who didn't get one for Christmas.

There is nothing more idiotic than the smile of a pretty girl when directed toward some other fellow.  
New York's 100-acre zoological garden will have to be enlarged if Tammany Tiger is placed on exhibition.

At the beginning of the new year the average man spends an entire day repairing those payments made of good intentions.—Chicago Daily News.

**His Motto.**  
"When a man enters upon a pugilistic career," remarks champion Fitzsimmons, "he should adopt a motto and try to live up to it." Good! Mr. Fitzsimmons' motto probably is: "It is more blessed to give than to receive!"—Chicago Times-Herald.

**Remarkable Cure of Rheumatism at Kenna, Jackson County.**  
About three years ago my wife had an attack of rheumatism which confined her to her bed and rendered her unable to walk; her limbs being swollen to about double their normal size. Mr. L. Maddox recommended Chamberlain's Pain Balm. I procured a fifty cent bottle of it and used its contents by about twelve o'clock that night, binding her limbs with a band. The next morning she walked to breakfast and has not had a similar attack since.

A. B. PARSONS.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of September, 1897.  
F. S. CASTO, Justice of the Peace.  
Chamberlain's Pain Balm is sold by druggists.

**New Facts About South Dakota.**  
To enable the farmers in the Eastern States to pass the long winter evenings in an entertaining and instructive manner, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company has recently published for free distribution, a new pamphlet, fully illustrated with pictures which will delight the eyes of Eastern farmers, and containing letters from their brethren in South Dakota descriptive of their experiences while tilling the soil and raising cattle, sheep and hogs in the "Sunshine State."

This pamphlet is well worth reading through from cover to cover. It will be sent free if you will send your address to either H. F. Hunter, Immigration Agent, 291 Dearborn Street, Chicago, or to George H. Headford, General Passenger Agent, Old Colony Building, Chicago, Ill.

**Relief in Six Hours.**  
Distressing Kidney and Bladder disease relieved in six hours by "New Great South American Kidney Cure." It is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in bladder, kidneys and back, in male or female. It relieves retention almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure, this is the remedy. Sold by R. H. List, Druggist, Wheeling, W. Va.

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## FINANCE AND TRADE.

## The Features of the Money and Stock Markets.

**NEW YORK, Jan. 7.**—Money on call easier at 2 1/2% per cent; last loan 2 1/2% per cent; closed at 2 1/2% per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5 1/4% per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 44 3/4% for demand and at 44 1/2% for 60 days. Commercial bills at 44 1/2% for 60 days. Bar silver 57c. Mexican dollars 45c.

The market for stocks to-day did not differ materially from that of yesterday. The aggressive mood of the speculative world continued in full force, and all the large professional operators were buyers of stocks. That they were reinforced by a marked addition of outside interests in the market was shown by the large number of orders for speculative purchases of the day. The commission houses, there was also a contral absorption of bonds of all descriptions, very heavy orders being placed in the high grade shares as well as in the speculative issues and moderate grade bonds. The pressure for funds for reinvestment, which has been released by the January dividend and interest payment, was very obvious. There was also a marked weakening of the rates for money, notwithstanding the lively awakening of speculation. Loans for reinvestment of money were also lively bidders for commercial paper. This served to stimulate the speculative furor which seems to have broken out. London was quite a large buyer in this market of several of the international stocks, notably Union Pacific and Louisville & Nashville. The Vanderbilts continued to hold the leading place on the reported determination of the controlling interest in these properties to see traffic rates maintained. There was also a renewal of old reports of combination involving the lines and looking to through trans-continental traffic. The most conspicuous movement in the market was that in Susquehanna & Western securities, due to the reported passage of the control of the property to the Vanderbilts. The fears of minority stockholders led to an unloading of their holdings and a slump of 8 points in the common stock without a recovery, and of 6 points in the preferred stock with a rally of over a point in the latter. The tone of the market was, however, the better for the new controlling company. This break caused a sympathetic weakness in all the coals, and mild weather worked to the same end. The bituminous coals could not hold on the other hand, notably strong. There was evidence of realizing in parts of the list on the strength imparted to the market by the general buying. Some of the leading railroad stocks show small losses, but the market is generally buoyant in the recently active stocks of local corporations. Manhattan became strong later on reports of a proposed change to electric motive power, and General Electric enjoyed a corresponding benefit. Consolidated Gas advanced at one point, and Chicago Avenue nearly 5. The realizing of the last hour invited by the day's notable rise affected the specialties most, but its effect was quite marked throughout the list, reducing the day's net gains quite sharply in many instances. On the other side the coals and a few specialties extend all the way from a fraction to a point. The abundant replenishment of the local money market has led to talk of the surrender by New York banks of the government deposits, and in their vaults on account of the Union Pacific payment.

The bond market continued very notably active to-day, and a large number of issues show gains of over 1 per cent. U. S. old 4's registered were 1/4 higher, and the new 4's 1/2 higher.

The total sales of stocks to-day were 418,900 shares.

**NEW YORK, Jan. 7.**—Evening Post's London dispatch cablegram:  
The stock market here was active and generally buoyant to-day with many new features. China and Japan stocks were very strong. Nothing is settled as to the China loan, but it is certain that the negotiations are on the line. . . . Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific were booming, but the closing was under the best, dealers usually acting for Montreal being credited with having sold freely.

American stocks distinctly good feature was the further sharp rise in New York Centrals on the funding scheme. Berlin again bought American and dealings here increased, but at present they are entirely professional. The London market at the best, New York absorbing stocks.

The Paris and Berlin markets were firm.

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**NEW YORK, Jan. 7.**—Evening Post's London dispatch cablegram:  
The stock market here was active and generally buoyant to-day with many new features. China and Japan stocks were very strong. Nothing is settled as to the China loan, but it is certain that the negotiations are on the line. . . . Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific were booming, but the closing was under the best, dealers usually acting for Montreal being credited with having sold freely.

American stocks distinctly good feature was the further sharp rise in New York Centrals on the funding scheme. Berlin again bought American and dealings here increased, but at present they are entirely professional. The London market at the best, New York absorbing stocks.

The Paris and Berlin markets were firm.

**BONDS AND STOCK QUOTATIONS.**  
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120,000 bushels of wheat, which was taken as an indication of liberal aggregate exports of wheat and flour for the day. The signal service predicted rain to be followed by a cold wave for a large part of the winter wheat country. The market received additional stimulus from the Atlantic and Gulf port clearances which aggregated 960,000 bushels and by 11:30 o'clock May had advanced to 91c. Local milling demand for carloads of off grade wheat was such that May price was paid for some No. 3 wheat. Minneapolis reported 2 1/2c premium over May price paid for No. 3 northern and the local demand for all grades of spot and to arrive.

The Liverpool market closed at from